

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
UNDER 35 USC §371(c)(4) FOR  
PCT APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES PATENT**

As a belownamed inventor, I hereby declare that:  
my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below under my name;

I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought, namely: the invention entitled: **Coating for a mechanical part comprising at least one hydrogenated amorphous carbon, and method of depositing one such coating.** PCT/FR2004/001486  
described and claimed in international application number \_\_\_\_\_ filed on **June 15, 2004**

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

Under Title 35, U.S. Code §119, the priority benefits of the following foreign application(s) filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns within one year prior to my international application are hereby claimed:

**National French Patent Application No. 03 07221  
Filed on June 16, 2003**

The following application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention were filed in countries foreign to the United States of America either (a) more than one year prior to my international application, or (b) before the filing date of the above-named foreign priority application(s):

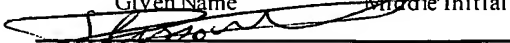
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I hereby appoint the following as my attorneys of record with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent Office:

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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Marc PLISSONNIER et al.

Application No.: New U.S. National Stage of  
PCT/FR04/001486

Filed: December 14, 2005

Docket No.: 126114

For: COATING FOR A MECHANICAL PART COMPRISING AT LEAST ONE  
HYDROGENATED AMORPHOUS CARBON, AND METHOD OF DEPOSITING ONE  
SUCH COATING

**TRANSMITTAL OF POWER OF ATTORNEY AND  
STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 3.73(b)**

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Sir:

Submitted herewith is a Power of Attorney from the Assignee.

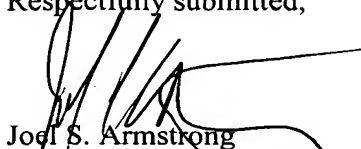
In compliance with 37 CFR §3.73(b), the undersigned hereby states that  
COMMISSARIAT A L'ENERGIE ATOMIQUE is the assignee of the entire right, title and  
interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of an assignment from the inventors of  
the patent application identified above. A copy of the assignment is attached hereto and is  
concurrently being submitted for recordation.

The undersigned is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.36(a), submission of this Power of Attorney revokes any  
powers of attorney previously given.

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Date: December 14, 2005

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hereby appoints the patent practitioners associated with Oliff & Berridge, PLC Customer No. 25944 as attorneys of record to prosecute any and all applications in which this General Power of Attorney is filed, and all continuations and divisions thereof, owned in whole or in part by the above-named owner, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office.

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